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Dear County Superintendents of Schools, County Auditors and County Treasurers:

**Notice of the First Apportionment for the Peer Assistance and Review
Program, Fiscal Year 2002-03**

This apportionment, in the amount of \$65,261,562, is made from funds provided in Item 6110-193-0001(3) of the 2002 Budget Act (Chapter 379, Statutes of 2002), as amended by Senate Bill 18, First Extraordinary Session (Chapter 4, Statutes of 2003), and supports Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) staff development activities and training pursuant to *Education Code* sections 44505 and 44506.

The apportionment amount represents 100 percent of the calculated entitlement, which is based on five percent of the October 2001 California Basic Educational Data System count of certificated classroom teachers, rounded up to a whole number, and multiplied by a rate of \$4,260 or \$3,352 depending on which year the local educational agency (LEA) certified entrance into the PAR program. These rates reflect a base of \$2,847 plus bonus funding rates of either \$1,413 or \$505. LEAs that do not qualify for at least one mentor teacher (LEAs having less than five certificated employees) are provided base funding of \$143 per certificated employee plus the appropriate minimum funding PAR bonus amount of either \$1,413 or \$505.

The PAR program is included in the charter school categorical block grant funding model pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Sections 47630) of Part 26.8 of the *Education Code*. All charter schools, except for districtwide charters will receive their funding for this program as part of the categorical component of the charter school block grant, which is allocated as part of the Principal Apportionment.

Funding for Supplemental Grant selections made pursuant to *Education Code* Section 54761.2 will be paid in a special apportionment in July 2003.

Warrants will be mailed to county treasurers approximately four weeks from the date of this Notice. For standardized account code structure (SACS) coding, use Resource Code 7271,

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California Peer Assistance & Review Program for Teachers (PAR), and Revenue Object Code 8590, All Other State Revenue. For non-SACS coding, use Income Account Code 8442, Teacher Peer Review/Staff Development/GF. County superintendents of schools are requested to inform LEAs immediately of this apportionment.

If you have any questions regarding this apportionment, please contact Julie Brucklacher at (916) 327-4406 or by e-mail at jbruckla@cde.ca.gov, or Ross Valentine at (916) 327-4405 or by e-mail at rvalenti@cde.ca.gov. For program questions, please contact Rebecca Parker at (916) 323-5595 or by e-mail at rparker@cde.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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